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Applicant: TOWE et al.

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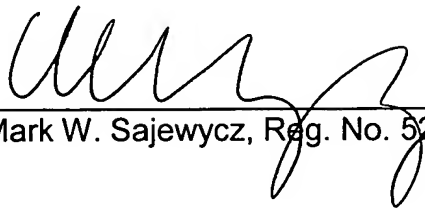
The Applicant elects Group I claims 1-9 for prosecution in this application, reserving the right to file a divisional application or applications on the Group II claims 10-12.

Additionally, the Applicant elects the species, "a thermoplastic elastomeric olefin comprising a polypropylene continuous phase with an ethylene-propylene-diene monomer or ethylene-propylene rubber rubbery phase dispersed through the polypropylene continuous phase" for prosecution on the merits if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable, such species being readable upon by each of claims 1 and 8.

Favourable consideration of claims 1-9 on their merits is earnestly solicited.

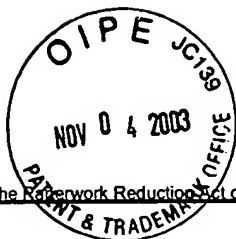
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